

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 23 May, 2005. Claims 8, 11, 12 and 14-17 remain pending.

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Jeffery for the many courtesies extended during an interview with Applicants' representatives G. Farmer and J. Schneider on 29 June, 2005. The substance of the interview is correctly set forth in the Interview Summary.

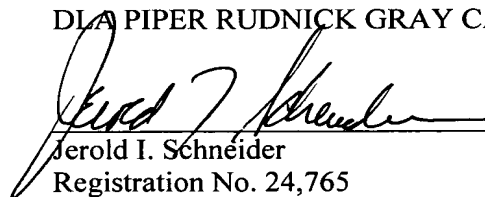
The present amendments to the claims correspond to the agreement reached at the interview.

A terminal disclaimer (with fee) is filed concurrently.

Based on the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance are solicited. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a second interview or a telephone conference will expedite the prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is encouraged and requested to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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